CAREER MOVE JOSEPH THOMAS

New Job: Executive Chef, Tapestry at the O'Keefe

Last Job: Chef, Insight Film Studios

Employer: Tapestry at the O'Keefe

Quote: With great power comes great responsibility - Ben Parker

Reading: The Vancouver Sun and the Bret Hart autobiography

Worst Fear: Rats

Gadgets: If I am not using one of my many culinary tools, I am listening to my Ipod or MP3 cell phone

Education: Associate Bachelors Degree in Hotel & Restaurant Administration and Certificate of Qualification as Cook and Baker. (Red Seal Chef); 18 years in the hospitality industry across Canada.

First Job: Working as a dishwasher in a night club in Hamilton, Ont.

Original Aspiration: I guess I am one of the lucky ones who knew exactly what I wanted to do from an early age. I knew I wanted to be and was going to be a chef.

Role Model: My gramps is my biggest role model. Even though he passed away some time ago, I still try to portray his likeness. He was a great man with a huge heart of gold.

Born: Hamilton, Ont., July 13, 1974.

Number of e-mails a day: 20.

Number of voice mails a day: 3.

How many social networking contacts: 10.

Essential Website: www.discovertapestry.com



Best Perk: Working with professional staff so we can positively enhance people's lives every day here at Tapestry at the O'Keefe.

Sports/Hobbies: Golf, soccer, hockey and football. I also love to travel and play my guitar around a campfire.

Place and topic of last conference: Vancouver, corporate orientation.

Career Objective: To further my skills as a chef and move up within this company.